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Sir:

Applicants hereby respectfully request consideration and entry of the Identification of Copending Applications filed contemporaneously herewith. A check in the amount of \$180.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is also enclosed.

Consideration and entry of the attached Identification of Copending Applications is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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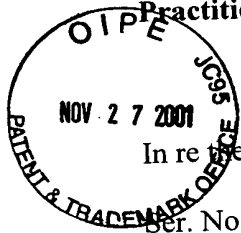
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IDENTIFICATION OF COPENDING APPLICATIONS

Sir:

The attention of the Patent Office is drawn to the copending applications listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 which may contain technical subject matter related to that of the present invention.

| Serial No(s). | Date Filed | Inventor(s) |
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| 09/642,861 | 8/21/2000 | 1) Yukihisa Takeuchi 2) Tsutomu Nanataki 3) Masato Komazawa 4) Koji Kimura |
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Copies of each of the applications are attached. This identification is not to be construed as a waiver of secrecy as to the cited applications now or upon issuance of the present application

as a patent. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the cited applications and the art cited therein during examination of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1446.

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